

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is:

1. A handle for use in an automobile to effect a desired operation comprising:
  - a shaft portion formed of a light emitting material;
  - a grasp portion formed of said light emitting material and being connected to said shaft portion to permit a manipulative gripping of said handle; and
  - a first open informational image formed within said grasp portion such that no material is present within said first open informational image.
- 15 2. The handle of Claim 1 wherein said shaft portion and said grasp portion form a T-shaped configuration.
3. The handle of Claim 2 wherein a second open informational image is also formed in said shaft portion such that no material is present within said first open informational image.
4. The handle of Claim 3 wherein said first open informational image forms an image of a vehicle with an open trunk with a caricature of a person jumping out of the open trunk, said handle being an emergency trunk release handle.

5. The handle of Claim 3 wherein said light emitting material is a phosphorescent plastic.

6. The handle of Claim 5 wherein said shaft portion is 5 formed with a deformable clip member.

7. The handle of Claim 5 wherein said shaft portion is formed with an enlarged head portion and a narrow neck portion interconnecting said head portion and said grasp portion, said 10 second open informational image being located in said head portion.

8. The handle of Claim 7 wherein said second open informational image is an arrow pointing toward said grasp 15 portion.

9. In a handle mounted on an automobile to effect selective actuation of a latch mechanism, said handle being formed of phosphorescent material and including a shaft 20 portion connected to a grasp portion to facilitate the gripping of said handle to actuate said latch mechanism, the improvement comprising:

open informational images formed in said handle such that no phosphorescent material is present within said 25 open informational images.

10. The handle of Claim 9 wherein a first said open informational image is formed in said grasp portion.

11. The handle of Claim 10 wherein a second said open informational image is formed in said shaft portion.

5 12. The handle of Claim 11 wherein said shaft portion and said grasp portion are connected to form a T-shape configuration.

13. The handle of Claim 12 wherein said handle is an emergency trunk release handle operatively connected to a truck lid latch mechanism locking said trunk lid to an automobile chassis, said first open informational image forming an image of a vehicle with an open trunk with a caricature of a person jumping out of the open trunk, said 15 second informational image forming an arrow pointing toward said grasp portion.

14. The handle of Claim 13 wherein said shaft portion is formed with an enlarged head portion, having a deformable 20 clip member formed therein, and a narrow neck portion interconnecting said head portion and said grasp portion, said second open informational image being located in said head portion.

25 15. A method of manufacturing a handle from a phosphorescent plastic material for use on an automotive vehicle to effect actuation of a latch mechanism on said vehicle, comprising the steps of:

providing a mold having a shape corresponding to a  
desired shape of said handle;

placing cores into said mold in the shape of  
informational graphics;

5           injecting said phosphorescent plastic material into  
said mold so that said plastic material forms said handle in  
said desired shape with no phosphorescent material within  
areas of said handle corresponding to said informational  
graphics; and

10           extracting said formed handle from said form.

16.           The method of Claim 15 wherein said desired shape  
of said mold is a T-shaped configuration having a shaft  
portion and a grasp portion connected to said shaft portion.

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17.           The method of Claim 16 wherein said placing step  
includes the steps of:

              inserting a first core in said grasp portion to provide  
a first informational image in said grasp portion; and

20           inserting a second core in said shaft portion to  
provide a second informational image in said grasp portion.

18.           The method of Claim 17 wherein said step of  
inserting a first core forms said first informational image in  
25   the shape of a vehicle with an open trunk and a caricature of  
a person jumping out of the open trunk.

19. The method of Claim 17 wherein said step of inserting a second core forms said second informational image in the shape of an arrow pointing toward said grasp portion.

5 20. The method of Claim 17 wherein said placing step further includes the step of inserting a third core in said shaft portion to form a deformable clip member for attachment of said handle to a remote device.

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